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CONSTRUCTION OF SUBWAYS IN DELHI
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Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the planning for development in Delhi lacks coordination in various agencies working for development of Delhi;

(b) if so, whether most of the subways constructed in the recent past in Delhi are either destroyed by some other agencies or are not in use by public;

(c) if so, the details of such subways;

(d) the expenditure incurred by the Government on construction of each of such subways;

(e) whether the Government now proposed to provide escalator equipped subways in Delhi;

(f) if so,the details in this regard; and

(g) the construction cost of each of such subways?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD)

(a) It has reported that coordination in respect of development proposals/projects is done through various inter-departmental meetings and committees.

(b) and (c) The concerned agencies have informed that the subways under their jurisdiction are well utilized. However, NDMC has indicated that the subway at Rafi Marg has been demolished for replacement by Delhi Metro Rail Corporation (DMRC) Ltd. and the subway at Pandit Pant Marg has been closed due to security reasons. The PWD has indicated that only one subway at Gokulpuri has been rendered unuseful due to construction of flyover.

(d) The approximately cost of construction of subway at Rafi Marg, Pandit Pant Marg and Gokulpur is Rs. 150 lakhs, Rs. 85 lakhs and Rs. 150 lakhs respectively.

(e) and (f) The PWD has stated that it is proposed to equip future subways/Foot Over Bridges

(FOB) at certain locations with escalators.

(g) The cost of construction depends on design, location, width of road etc. and may vary in each case.